Remarks

As suggested by the Examiner in the Final Rejection of October 9, 2003, claim 1 is suggested to be amended in order to remove any lack of clarity in the use of the phrase "means of." Attorney for Appellant/Applicant is appreciative of the suggested change.

It is submitted that the Amendment to claim 1 raises no new issues, and should be entered, as it will simplify the Appeal. Indeed, it is further submitted that the Examiner should reconsider the rejection of the claims in this case on § 103 grounds in view of the Appeal Brief filed with this Amendment.

Respectfully submitted

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